

Hi Bulldog Band family!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable weekend. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at school or online tomorrow. I heard nothing but AMAZING things about your behavior in class on Friday while I was out, so I want to personally thank you for your commitment to excellence!

**This Week:**

Monday (9/14) – open

Tuesday (9/15) – Marching Band 4:00-6:30pm

Wednesday (9/16) – Leadership Meeting (band room – after school)

Thursday (9/17) – Marching Band 4:00-6:30pm

Friday (9/18) – Mock All-State Auditions DUE

**All-State Auditions**

Auditions for the Florida All-State bands are quickly approaching. If you registered to audition, please stay tuned for an important email this week with information about how the “virtual” audition process will work. In the meantime, practice recording your audition materials this week. I would like all of our students auditioning to record a “mock” audition and share it with me on google drive ([delandband@gmail.com](mailto:delandband@gmail.com)) by this Friday so that I can check your progress and help you as much as possible. You may also play for me this week during 2nd lunch or right after school on Wednesday or Friday. Please see me to set up a time.

**Snap Raise**

Thank you to everyone that has taken time to set up and enter emails into the Snap Raise fund raiser. As of today, we have already raised almost \$3,000 in donations! There are still several of you that have not taken the time to set up their Snap, so please take care of this today. The goal is 20 emails per person, but any amount will help get the word out and bring in much needed donation. You can also share on social media. Don't forget to include your picture so that your supporters know this is legit. All donations, big or small, will help our band.

Remember – this is our EASIEST fund raiser of the year and you will earn credit for 50% of donations made in your name towards your Charms account. This credit can be used for any band expenses such as Fair Share, shoes, extra shirts, band trip, etc. This fund raiser is a great way to get those items paid off AND start earning credit towards future expenses. Your credit stays on your Charms account the entire time you are in band. We pay 20% to Snap Raise for the technology to run the fund raiser, credit card fees, etc. and the remaining percentage (30%) will be used for general band expenses (including the purchase of our new marching band uniforms). Last year was our first year doing this fund raiser and it was a huge success. This is a great way for your friends and family that live too far away to buy cookie dough can support you!

Sign up or log in to Snap Raise using this link: [http://www.snap-raise.com/join\\_code/389483881](http://www.snap-raise.com/join_code/389483881). You will be directed to add your emails. Please make sure your emails do NOT include students, teachers, fake emails, etc. and are only legitimate potential donors that you or your family personally

know. You can also share this out on social media, but the research has shown that the most donations are made through the email requests. The more quality emails you enter, the more donations you will receive.

### **Forms**

We currently have 3 forms due for band – VCS medical waiver, DHS Band Financial form, & football games field trip permission form. Hard copies of these forms can be found at the front of the band room. The medical and financial forms are past due, so please get those in ASAP. The football games field trip form was due by September 10, but you can still turn it in if you forgot. You will not be able to attend our first football game without these completed forms turned in. These forms are EASY grades – 100 if you turn them in, 0 if you do not. Online students can email the forms to [delandband@gmail.com](mailto:delandband@gmail.com). I plan on entering grades this week, so please make sure you take care of this ASAP.

### **1st Football Game – September 25**

Our first football game is less than 2 weeks away. This year, due to the pandemic, students will have the option of providing their own transportation to the stadium or riding the school buses. I have created a google form that each band member must complete for each home game. This form must be completed by THIS Tuesday (September 15). The form takes 30 seconds to complete and your decision cannot be changed once you complete the form. Here is a link to the form:

<https://forms.gle/LA2gGjdvv9vtXpQ19>

### Tentative Gameday Itinerary

3:30pm – school dismissal (change into casual uniforms)

4:00pm – band family dinner (food provided; required for all band members)

*Uniform inspection, temperature checks, & essential questions will happen when you report for dinner.*

4:45pm – load equipment truck

5:15pm – load buses & depart

6:00pm – CALL TIME at Spec Martin Stadium

7:00pm – Kick-off

10:00pm – Approximate game ending time

*\*After the game all students that have instruments on the truck are required to return to school to put them away, even if you provide your own transportation to and from the stadium. Students are dismissed once everything is put away and the band room is tidy.*

Looking forward to another great week Bulldogs! #goband

Monica C. Leimer  
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